ing steps for ensuring better disposal of cases: —

(a) Cases involving common questions are being grouped" by several High Courts;

(t) Matters fixed for hearing by / giving short returnable dates;

(c) Dispensing with printing of records;

(d) Expediting ond giving priority to matters, under certain Acts.

6. ' The recbmmendationS contained' in the 79th Report of the Law Commission have been examined. A. s action on majority of the recom-menadtions is to be" taken by the State Gvernments and the High Courts these have been "sent to them alongwith the views of the Union Government and they have been requested to take necessary action.

7. The Government have entrusted the Law Commission the study of the judicial system to introduce necessary reforms. The t rms of reference are: —

(a) the need for decentralisation ,. of the system of administration of justice by:

(i) establishing extending and strengthening in rural areas, the institution of Nyaya Panchayats or other media-* nisms for resolving disputes;

(ii) setting up a system of participatory (justice with defi n*d jurisdiction apd pwers in suitable areas and centres;

(iii) establishing other tiers or sytetems within the judicial hierarchy to reduce the volume of work in the Supreme Court and High Courts, (b) the matters for which. Tri-bunals (excluding Services. Tri- bunals) as envisaged in part-XIV-A of the Constitution need to be . - established expeditiously and various. aspects related to their establishment and working.

(c) the procedural laws with a view generally to disposing of, cases expeditiously eliminating unnecessary litigation delays in hearing of eases and reforms in procedures and procedural laws and particularly to devising pro-^{x} cediures appropriate to the forums envisaged in items (a) (i> and (a) (ii).

(d) the method of appointments to subordinate counts subordinate judiciary.

(e) the training of Judicial Officers.

(f) the role of the legal profes-sion in strengthening the systemof administration of justice,

(g) the desirability of formu lation of the norms which the Government and the Public Sec tor Undertakings should follow in the settlement of disputes includ ing $_{a}$ review o|f the present system for conduct of litigation on behalf of the Government and such Undertakings.

(h) the cost of litigation with a view to lessening the burden; onthe litigants

(i) formation of an All India Judicial Service; and

(j) such other matters as the Commission considers proper or. necessary for the purposes afore-sai^ or as may be referred to it from time to ttime by the Government.

Electronic voting machine

899. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOW-DHTJRY: Will the Minister- of LAW ANB JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Central Government have cleared^ the proposal for jntro-daetioa of =electronic voting -machines for elections *in* -the country; *nd

(b) if so by when the electronic voting) machines will be brought in actions

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE! (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Government have taken a preliminary decision accepting the recommendation of the Election Commission that electronic voting machines be introduced in elections to the Lok Sabha and State Assemblies, as part of the proposals to improve the present election system. A final decision will be taken only after consultation with the political parties.

(b) It will not be possible to give any definite indication becaus$_e$ consultations with the political parties are to be held first and then on the basis of agreement reached^ the relevant laws have to be announced. These processes will take some time.

High Court Bench at Baipnr

900. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI. Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state: whether any action has been taken by the Central Government to set up a High Court Bench at Raipur in Madhya Pradesh in pursuance of Jaswant Singh Commission's Report;

(a) whether the matter has been referred to MJP. State Government; if SQ what is the reaction of rthe State Government; and

(b) whether in view of the agitation in Bftopal and Jabaipur, Government are thinking of adopting a tHffeTeat course of action, which would be again the specific recommendations of the Jaswant Singh's Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) to

(c) The specific recommendations made by the Jaswant Singh Commission regarding setting up of a bench of the Madhya Praaesh High Court have been referred tp the Government of Madhya Pradesh for their comments ' and views. Furither action in the' matter could be taken by the Government • of India only after receipt' of fresh proposal from the State Government.

Meeting with Indian Confederation of Engineering industry

901. SHRI SURESH. KALMADI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state i

(a) whether Government ha, ve taken into consideration the deliberations made at the two-day "National Meet ing on India" held recently which was attended to by the. leading business men form (the West and other parts of the world together with the Indian Confederation of Engineering Indust ry; and

. (b) if so$_i$ what are the views of the Central Governmentl on the subject and the impact on the development of industry in the country particularly on joint ventures in India and Third World countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE UT THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL "DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNA-CHALAM): (a) Yes Sir. Such meeting was held on 23-24 March, 1987.

(b) The meeting was private and was not sponsored by Government,though Ministers and Government Ofli-cails participated in the meeting to explain India's industrial, fiscal and trade policies to the foreign industrialists and businessmen gathered there. No formal conclusions were arrived at the meeting[1] which were communicated to th$_e$ Government.